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Re: Lawrence County Judicial and Administrative Center

On February 16, 2017, my Office received your petition regarding a possible violation of Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3 by the Lawrence County Commission ("Commission"). Specifically, you alleged that the Commission posted signs prohibiting firearms on the premises of the Lawrence County Judicial and Administrative Center ("Courthouse").

My investigation determined that signs prohibiting firearms posted by the Commission included the premises of the Courthouse. The Commission may lawfully prohibit firearms in the Courthouse building, but not on the premises, unless it meets an exception set forth in Ala. Code §13A-11-61.2. I asked the Commission to explain its legal justification for prohibiting firearms on the premises of the Courthouse. The Commission reviewed a redacted copy of your petition and the relevant portions of Alabama law, and removed the language prohibiting firearms on the premises of the Courthouse.

Because the Commission is compliant with Alabama law, I have determined that there is no further action required under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3.

A redacted copy of this letter will be posted to my Office's website, in compliance with the statutory requirements under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3(f)(3).

Sincerely,

Steven T. Marshall Attorney General

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